UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

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CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Mr. Lawrence A. Cohen c/o Carolin K. Shining, Esq. Three First National Plaza Suite 1960 Chicago, Illinois 60601-1210

Re: Standard Scrap Metal/Chicago International Exporting Site

Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Cohen:

On August 24, 1994, the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) issued an information request to you pursuant to Section 104(e) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) as amended, 42 U.S.C. Section 9604(e). The information request was served on Carol Colier by certified mail on August 31, 1994. This information request required you to provide certain documents and information within fourteen (14) calendar days of receipt.

On October 6, 1994, U.S. EPA issued a letter informing you of your failure to respond to the August 24, 1994, information request. The letter was served on you by certified mail on October 15, 1994. Although the deadline for your response has passed, U.S. EPA has not received any response to the information request to date. U.S. EPA therefore requests that you comply immediately with that information request. You may, if you desire, assert a business confidentiality claim covering part or all of the information requested, in the manner described by 40 CFR 2.203 (b). Information covered by such a claim will be disclosed by U.S. EPA only to the extent, and only by means of the procedures, provided in 40 CFR Part 2, Subpart B. If no such claim accompanies the information when it is received by U.S. EPA, it may be made available to the public by U.S. EPA without further notice to you.

Continued failure to comply with U.S. EPA's information request, or to adequately justify such failure to respond, may subject you to an enforcement action seeking to compel compliance and collect penalties of up to \$25,000 per day of noncompliance

pursuant to Section 104(e)(5) of CERCLA, 42 U.S.C. Section 9604(e)(5). U.S. EPA has the authority to use the information requested herein in an administrative, civil, or criminal action.

Please contact Kurt N. Lindland, Assistant Regional Counsel, at (312) 886-6831 if you have any legal questions regarding this matter. All other questions should be directed to Debbie F. Regel, Emergency Support Section, at (312) 353-7632.

Sincerely yours,

Richard C. Karl, Chief

Emergency and Enforcement Response Branch

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